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To:

- ITU Member States
- ITU Sector Members
- ITU Academia
- Associates

Subject: **Invitation for the ITU Secretary-General's Youth Advisory Board**

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you might know, Plenipotentiary Resolution 198 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) on “Empowerment of youth through telecommunication/information and communication technology” resolves that ITU mainstreams youth engagement and participation in its work to support the achievement of the overall goals of the Union and to encourage youth participation in ITU programmes, events and activities. Plenipotentiary Resolution 198 also instructs the Secretary-General to continue to ensure that youth perspectives are incorporated in the work programmes.

In order to enhance the inclusion of youth views to the fullest extent possible, I am seeking young talented individuals with expertise in the STEM field to submit an expression of interest for the ITU Secretary-General's Youth Advisory Board. The board will be a dynamic and forward-thinking initiative which empowers young individuals to shape the future of global connectivity.

This Youth Advisory Board will be comprised of 12 young, exceptional individuals who would dive into a wide array of Information and communication technologies (ICTs) related topics. These individuals would bring their knowledge about technology, regulatory issues, and policy matters in the ICT sector. Together, they will embody the spirit of innovation and inclusivity, providing me with valuable recommendations.

More information about this initiative, terms of reference and criteria may be found at [the website](#).

I invite all interested individuals meeting the criteria to submit [the form of expression of interest](#) by 12 January 2024.

I also would like to invite ITU Members to share this information and nominate individuals whom they believe meet the criteria.

Yours faithfully,

[Original signed]

Doreen Bogdan-Martin
Secretary-General